



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

COPY MAILED

OCT 01 2009

**AKERMAN SENTERFITT
P.O. BOX 3188
WEST PALM BEACH FL 33402-3188**

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of	:	
TSUJI, Aki et al.	:	
Application No. 10/710,376	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: July 06, 2004	:	TO WITHDRAW
Attorney Docket No. 9993-1	:	FROM RECORD

This is a decision on the Request to Withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed September 22, 2009.

The request is **APPROVED**.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney/agent of record must be signed by every attorney/agent seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. The Office requires the practitioner(s) requesting withdrawal to certify that he, she, or they have: (1) given reasonable notice to the client, prior to the expiration of the response period, that the practitioner(s) intends to withdraw from employment; (2) delivered to the client or a duly authorized representative of the client all papers and property (including funds) to which the client is entitled; and (3) notified the client of any responses that may be due and the time frame within which the client must respond, pursuant 37 CFR 10.40(c).

The request was signed by Andrew Gust on behalf of all attorneys of record who are associated with customer No. 30448. All attorneys/agents associated have been withdrawn. Applicant is reminded that there is no attorney of record at this time.

The request to change the correspondence address of record is not acceptable as the requested correspondence address is not that of: (1) the first named signing inventor; or (2) an intervening assignee of the entire interest under 37 C.F.R. 3.71. All future communications from the Office will be directed to the first named signing inventor.

There is an outstanding Office action mailed August 14, 2009 that requires a reply from the applicant.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Michelle R. Eason at 571-272-4231.



Michelle R. Eason
Paralegal Specialist
Office of Petitions

cc: **AKI TSUJI**
3-13-3 KAMOE, HAMAMTU-SHI
SHIZUOKA-KEN 432-8023
JAPAN

cc: **TECNOTE CO., LTD.**
KAMOE 3-13-3, NAKA, HAMAMATSU CITY
SHIZUOKA-KEN 430-0913
JAPAN